April, 2008. Earlier it was implemented in 200 districts. It has been increased to 350 districts. Now, we are going to have it throughout the country. I am grateful to the hon. Minister for doing this. But as regards implementation, there is a lot of lacuna, misuse, mismanagement and corruption. I want the hon. Minister to consider all these. I feel the only mechanism by which you can do it is to monitor it through the public representatives, instead of officials. That is the only solution which I could find. You are holding meetings. You should hold meetings, at least, once in three months to review the working and spending, and to see whether the right people have been given the jobs. It should be found out so that corruption, mismanagement and misuse of funds can be eliminated. The hon. Minister is capable of doing it. He has taken action in certain States where it has been misused. But there is large scale misuse of funds. I want the hon. Minister to take strict action and to appoint a monitoring committee, not at the administrative level but of the people who have got experience in the field. It should be monitored through it so that the funds will go to the poor people and the poor people, who deserve it, will get employment.

With these observations, I request the hon. Minister to take immediate action in this regard. Thank you.

उपसभाध्यक्ष (श्री कलराज मिश्र): अभी चार बजे माननीय रेल मंत्री जी अपना प्रस्ताव प्रस्तुत करेंगे।

GOVERNMENT RESOLUTION

Recommendations of Railway Convention Committee (2004) as Contained in paras 23 and 24 of its third report.

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI LALU PRASAD): Sir, I beg to move:

That this House approves the recommendations of the Railway Convention Committee (2004) as contained in Paras 23 and 24 of their Third Report, which was laid on the Table of Rajya Sabha on the 12th August, 2005.

The question was proposed.

उपसभाध्यक्ष (श्री कलराज मिश्र): प्रस्ताव प्रस्तुत हुआ, इस पर कोई बोलने वाला नहीं है, इसलिए मैं इस प्रस्ताव को वोट के लिए प्रस्तुत करता हूँ। प्रस्ताव यह है:

That this House approves the recommendations of the Railway Convention Committee (2004) as contained in Paras 23 and 24 of their Third Report, which was laid on the Table of Rajya Sabha on the 12th August, 2005.

The motion was adopted.

SHORT DURATION DISCUSSION

Situation Arising Out Of Misuse Of Funds Provided By Central Government Under National Rural Employment Guarantee Programme - (Contd..)

श्री अजय मारू (झारखंड): उपसभाध्यक्ष महोदय, 2005 में यूपीए सरकार ने जब राष्ट्रीय ग्रामीण रोजगार